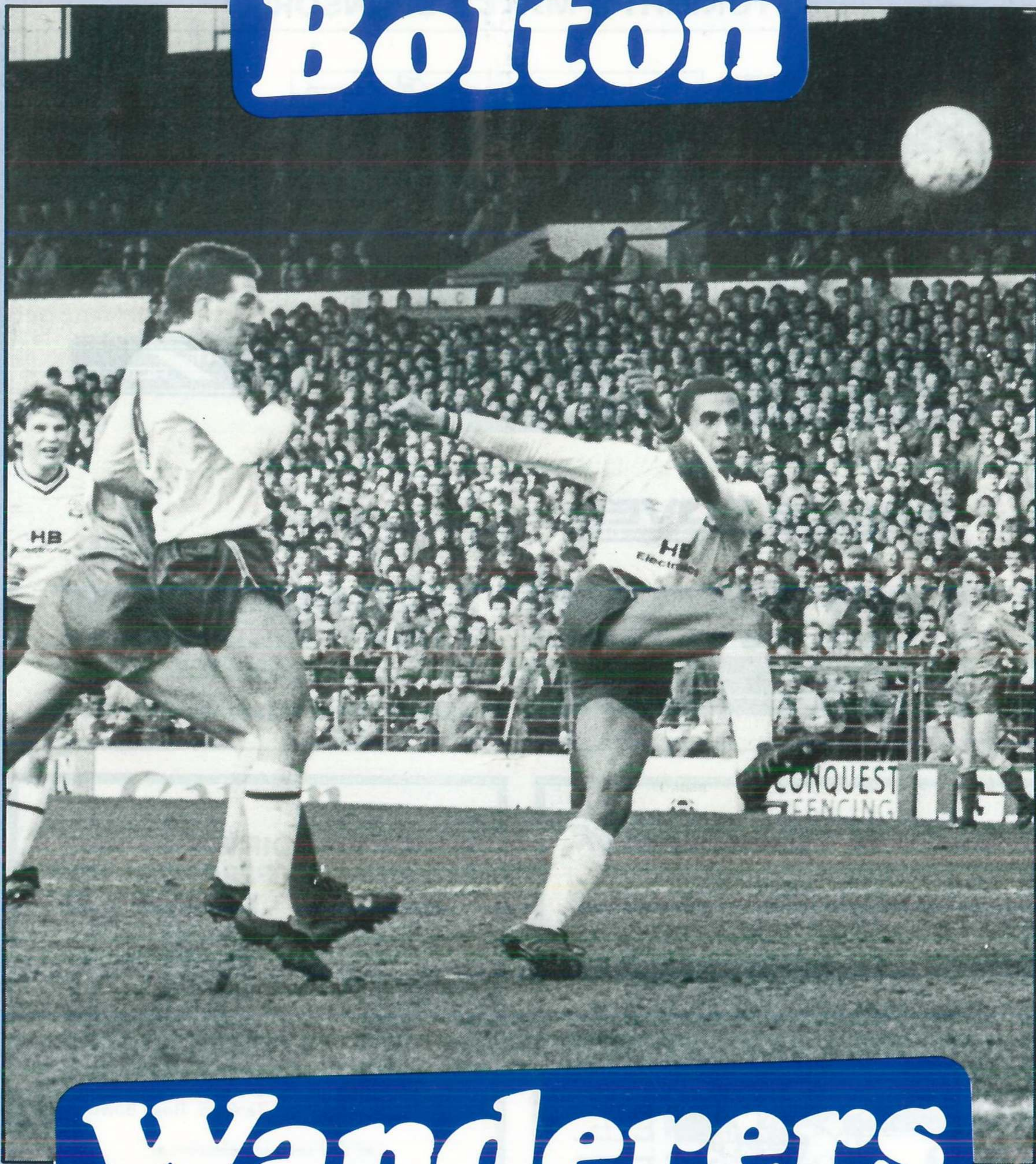


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Charlie Wright

We know enough about Darlington to realise that we are in for not only a difficult game tonight but also an entertaining one. Darlington are riding high in the 4th Division promotion race and Cyril Knowles has a good squad of players who like to play good football.

We also know they are a high scoring team because that's how they have reached this stage of the competition.

Nevertheless, the draw gave us just what we wanted, a home tie, and its up to us to take the chance of progressing into the next round.

I want to see us take the game by the scruff of the neck and prove to Darlington and the other clubs left in the competition that Bolton Wanderers can still live up to its tradition as real fighters in Cup football.

Saturday's result against Newport was obviously a

great boost although the performance was not one of our best.

We didn't play well but it was a battle against Newport, just as I had expected. Really the result was the most important thing just as tonight's result is important for us.

We know that if we win tonight we are guaranteed a home draw in the next round against Mansfield Town. So that's as big an incentive as we could possibly hope for.

In extending a warm welcome to our visitors I hope the game lives up to my expectations and not only gives us a good result but also gives the fans a good game to enjoy.

FRONT COVER: George Oghani's shot flies off target against Wigan.



Reading 'keeper Gary Westwood at full stretch with Jimmy Phillips waiting to pounce.



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Welcome to the Park

DARLINGTON

DARLINGTON EARN ANOTHER TILT AT FREIGHT ROVER TROPHY

by Tony Pullein

Though Darlington were apparently knocked out of the Freight Rover Trophy when losing 1-3 at home to Lincoln City in the second round, they earned a reprieve because of their goalscoring exploits in round one and qualified for a place in the Northern Section quarter-finals as one of the highest-scoring losing teams in earlier rounds.

Indeed, it is almost third time lucky for the Quakers. They were beaten 1-4 at Halifax in the first-leg of round one but recovered to score a remarkable 7-0 victory in the return game. John McMahon, a reserve player, made his mark on that game by scoring a hat-trick.

Darlington's main priority this season, however, is to clinch promotion to the Third Division. They are tired of the tag of being the Fourth Division's oldest inhabitant, having been down there since 1967.

Under the astute managership of Cyril Knowles, the former Spurs and England full-back, Darlington have been among the division's pacemakers all season. In one spell they remained unbeaten in 13 matches and, though they still have work to do, it now looks reasonably certain that they will move back into Third Division company next season.

The Quakers have an excellent away record in the League. Prior to Saturday's visit to Wrexham, they had won at Aldershot (4-3), Halifax (1-0), Hereford (1-0), Port Vale (2-0), Scunthorpe (1-0), Hartlepool (2-1), Rochdale (2-1) and Colchester (2-1).

They drew at Southend (1-1), Blackpool (0-0), Torquay (1-1), Chesterfield (0-0), Exeter (1-1), Peterborough (1-1) and Stockport (0-0). Darlington's only away defeats were at Mansfield (0-2), Chester (2-5), Bury (0-1) and Tranmere (0-3).

Darlington, in fact, maintained an unbeaten away record longer than any other club in the Football League and it wasn't until New Year's Day that they suffered their first reverse at Mansfield.

They were beaten away from home, though, in the first round of the Milk Cup at Rotherham (0-4). As they had also been beaten at home 1-2 in the first-leg, they took an early exit from that competition.

But they enjoyed a very good run in the F.A. Cup. They started with a 3-2 home win over Chester and then had a home tie with Frickley Athletic from the Gola League. A goal from defender Phillip Lloyd was sufficient to put them through to a derby match at Middlesbrough.

That game had added incentive for manager Cyril Knowles for he began his professional career with Middlesbrough.

Darlington drew 0-0 at Ayresome Park and then

won the home replay 2-1.

It was then their misfortune to be drawn against giant-killing Telford United. After being held to a 1-1 draw at Feethams, Darlington went down 0-3 in the replay.

Mr Knowles has completely transformed Darlington's image since taking over as manager during the summer of 1983. For years we had become accustomed to them making an annual fight against having to apply for re-election, a battle they lost on five occasions following their relegation in 1967.

At one point it seemed the Quakers might be destined to follow the likes of Barrow, Bradford P.A. and Southport into the oblivion of non-League football. Now they can, hopefully, look forward to a spell of Third Division football.

The club was formed in 1882 and became one of the founder members of the Football League's Third Division (North) in 1921. They finished runners-up in their first season but in those days only the top club was promoted.

But in 1925 they won the divisional championship and stepped proudly into the Second Division. They remained for just two seasons and, sadly, have never since risen to Second Division status.

When the regional divisions were re-organised in 1958, Darlington found themselves in the Fourth Division and they remained there until winning promotion 1966. But their life as a Third Division club was short-lived and, twelve months later, they found themselves back in the basement where they have remained until this day.

For years their idea of success at Feethams was to miss the bottom four places in Division Four. Now those times are behind them as they look forward to the future with much confidence.

FRED BARBER (Goalkeeper). Fred served his apprenticeship with Darlington and was introduced to their Fourth Division side in 1982/83. He was ever-present last season.

CARL AIREY (Defender/Midfield). Though Carl is Darlington's leading scorer, he has played in several positions including right-back. He began his career with Barnsley, who introduced him to their Second Division side two seasons ago. He made more than three dozen League appearances for the Tykes, and also played on loan to Bradford City, before joining Darlington last summer. Before last weekend, he was top scorer with 15 goals.

GRAEME ALDRED (Defender). Graeme was initially



Back row: (left to right) Phil Lloyd, Kevan Smith, Phil Laycock, Chris Anthony, Phil Shute, Kevin Todd.
Middle row: Mike Angus (now left), Dave McLean, Chris Sanders, Fred Barber, Steve Smith, Dave Hawker (now left), John Hannah (now left).
Seated: Bob Farrelly (Physiotherapist), Colin Ross (now left), Guy Ulliott, Cyril Knowles, Peter Johnson, Mark Miller (now left), John Craggs.

signed as a non-contract player last summer but later signed full professional forms. He scored Darlington's first goal in this season's Freight-Rover tie at Halifax in February.

PHILLIP LLOYD (Defender). Phillip completed his apprenticeship with Middlesbrough but didn't get into their first-team. He joined Barnsley as a non-contract player last season but, after signing for Darlington towards the end of last season, went straight into their senior side.

KEVAN SMITH (Defender). Kevan joined Darlington from Stockton and made his first League appearances in 1979. He has been a fixture in the side since then and is now approaching his 250th League game for the club.

PETER JOHNSON (Defender). Peter made his bow in League soccer with Middlesbrough in 1977/78 and was transferred to Newcastle for £60,000 in 1981. He made more than a couple of dozen appearances in the Geordies' Second Division side but moved on to Darlington before the start of last season.

STEVE TUPLING (Midfield). Steve didn't make the League team at Carlisle so he moved on to Darlington during the early weeks of this season. He scored twice against Halifax in the first round of the Freight Rover Trophy.

MITCHEL COOK (Midfield). Mitchel was signed from Scarborough and is playing League football for the first time this season.

GARY HAIRE (Midfield). Gary was playing for Whitley Bay when Bradford City spotted him. He

joined the Valley Parade club during the 1983 close-season and was a permanent member of their first-team last season. Darlington signed him this season.

DAVID McLEAN (Midfield). David began his career with Newcastle, making nine appearances in their Second Division side. He moved on to Carlisle in 1979 and to Darlington a year later. He has now played almost 250 League games for the club and usually takes their penalties. He scored twice against Halifax in the Freight Rover Trophy.

KEVIN TODD (Forward). Newcastle gave Kevin his chance in League football in 1981/82 but he was only an occasional first-teamer at St James Park. Since joining Darlington two seasons ago, he has been a fixture in the senior squad.

GARRY MacDONALD (Forward). Garry made his League debut for Middlesbrough against Brighton in November 1980 and last season earned himself a regular place in their Second Division side. He moved on to Carlisle last summer but a few months later was transferred again, to Darlington.

MARK FORSTER (Forward). Mark turned professional with Leicester City but they offered him little scope and he didn't get a chance in their League team. He moved on to Darlington last season and has been a consistent goalscorer for them this season.

JOHN McMAHON (Forward). Though John is not a regular member of the first-team, he scored a hat-trick when called up for duty against Halifax in the Freight Rover Trophy. Darlington signed him from Middlesbrough this season.

THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

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All you want to know about your Wanderers favourites

The collage features three Bolton newspapers. The **Bolton Evening News** (Monday, March 11, 1986) has a headline "CHERNENKO IS DEAD" with a sub-headline "Local soccer fans go on rampage" and a photo of a man. The **Sporting Buff** (March 9, 1986-11) has a headline "ATTACK!" and a photo of a soccer player. The **Bolton Journal** (Thursday, March 7, 1986) has a headline "For the love of Carolyn..." and a photo of a woman. Other visible headlines include "Barker & Nelsons", "Special Selection", "OUR NEW LOOK", "SEATS IN ALL PARTS", "AUSTIN ROVER", and "COLORVISION".

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Club News

In Retrospect

We welcome Darlington tonight for their first ever visit to Burnden Park, as our paths have never crossed at football league level. Indeed our only 'encounter' in any of the major competitions was in November 1960 when the two sides faced each other in a football League Cup third round tie at Feethams.

It was the first season of the League Cup competition, and the Wanderers in the First Division, had beaten Hull City 5-1 after a scoreless draw and Grimsby Town 6-2. Darlington had on the other hand defeated fellow Fourth Division side Crystal Palace 2-0 and then caused one of the early shocks by beating First Division West Ham United 3-2. Such was the attraction of Bolton's visit to the North East, that even before the game, it was known that the ground attendance record, set in 1925, would be broken. It turned out that a crowd of 21,023 set a record for Feethams that still stands today.

As for the game itself, it was a close fight, with Darlington taking the lead after 16 minutes when Rayment met a cross from Morton to volley past Hopkinson. Matters got worse for the Wanderers, when Graham Stanley was injured and he had to go out on the wing with Dennis Stevens dropping back into midfield. Strangely enough this stirred Bolton and Nat Lofthouse had an effort cleared off the line and Doug Holden saw his shot from three yards, a minute from the interval, suffer the same fate, full back Henderson clearing on both occasions.

Lofthouse struck the bar with a snapshot after 62 minutes and Bolton's pressure eventually paid off seven minutes later when Roy Hartle let fly from a free kick and the ball slipped through Tinsley's hands on the greasy surface. Not long after a Graham Stanley drive hit the bar and the Wanderers had to wait until the final minute before grabbing the winning goal. Freddie Hill beat three players before putting Doug Holden through to side step Tinsley and give the Wanderers a 2-1 victory and a fifth round tie against Rotherham United at Burnden.

The two sides for that game were:

Bolton: Hopkinson, Hartle, Cooper, Stanley, Higgins, Cunliffe, Holden, Lofthouse, McAdams, Stevens, Hill.

Darlington: Tinsley, Henderson, Mulholland, Furphy, Greener, Spencer, Rayment, Milner, Robson, Baxter, Morton.

More recently the two sides faced each other in a friendly at Feethams in August 1980. The game ended scoreless with Paul Jones coming the closest to breaking the deadlock when he hit the bar with a fierce shot. £70,000 signing Dennis Peacock made his first appearance in a Bolton shirt coming on for the second half in place of experienced keeper Terry Poole. The Wanderers' side for the game was:-

Poole, Graham, Burke, Wilson, Jones, Walsh, Thompson, Whatmore, Carter, Kidd, Cantello. Subs Peacock for Poole, Gowling for Thompson.

Down Memory Lane

15 years ago. 14th April 1970. The Wanderers sent a first team to South Liverpool as part of the deal that brought

keeper Bill Jones to Burnden Park. A crowd of 2,000 saw Terry Wharton give Bolton the lead after 52 minutes but the non leaguers hit back with a late equaliser from Goldstein.

The previous evening the reserves avoided re-election with a 1-0 victory over Aston Villa at Burnden thanks to an 85th minute goal from Warwick Rimmer.

10 years ago. 19th April 1975. The smallest league gate of the season, 8,208, saw the Wanderers draw 1-1 with Hull City at Burnden in the final home game of the season. Sam Allardyce headed Bolton into the lead from a Brian Smith corner after 23 minutes but Hull were level six minutes later when Alf Wood shot home. Bolton continued to dominate but failed, as they had done all season, in front of goal.

5 years ago. 15th April 1980. The lowest league gate of the season, 8,995, was at Burnden for the visit of Coventry City. The Wanderers had already been relegated and Coventry were in a comfortable mid table position. Phil Wilson put Bolton in front with his first league goal but City came back when Garry Thompson equalised, the game being a typical end of season affair.

19th April 1980. Bolton came from behind to defeat Stoke City 2-1 at Burnden Park. Garth Crooks had given City the lead seconds before half time but goals from Mike Carter and Neil Whatmore gave the Wanderers a deserved victory in windy conditions.

Junior Whites

Tonight's mascot is David Dawes of Ascot Road, Little Lever. David is 8 years old and attends Bowness Primary School. He is too young as yet to play for the school team but enjoys playing football and his favourite players are Warren Joyce and Tony Caldwell.



Lucky Grounds

Two good results brought back from over the Pennines just before Easter proved to be more than was expected, although both York and Hull have proved to be 'lucky' for the Wanderers. The 3-0 win at York keeps up Bolton's fine record there, as in five league visits four have been won and one drawn. This result also ended a run of 26 consecutive away league games in which goals were conceded. Jimmy Phillips also got his name on to the scoresheet for the first time with a well taken volley.

At Boothferry Park the Wanderers again gave a good account of themselves to help wipe out the memory of the unlucky FA Cup defeat there earlier on this season. History again proved to be a pointer to the game as the previous four league games between the sides there had ended in draws. The odds looked to be against Bolton when they were losing 2-1 and down to ten men after Wayne Foster's sending off. To their credit they kept battling and fully deserved to equalise with Warren Joyce taking his goal well.

Unfortunately the game at Orient last Tuesday was a setback after the recent improvement in results but the 4-3 scoreline and the game itself proved to be a winner for the neutrals in the crowd. A mention for the Bolton supporters that were standing on the open end at Brisbane Road in the torrential rain and only allowed under cover when the rain stopped! The result extends Bolton's 'London' record to 27 games without a win, with one more chance of ending the jinx this season, when Millwall are visited next month.

Freight Rover Trophy appearances and goals (in brackets)

S. Farnworth 3, B. Borrows 3, R. Deakin 3, W. Joyce 3 (2), S. Thompson 2, J. Chandler 2, W. Foster 1 + 2s. T. Caldwell 3(2), G. Bell 3, G. Oghani 2, P. Valentine 2, J. Phillips 2, M. Came 2, S. Rudge 1, T. Evans 1, I. Bailey + 1s.

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In Reserve

3rd April 1985 Scunthorpe Utd Res 3 Bolton Wanderers Res 0

The Wanderers reserves looked off key in comparison to their performance at Grimsby two days earlier. Tony Caldwell returned to action after illness and he came closest to scoring for Bolton in what was an even first half.

After 12 minutes Caldwell shot inches over the bar with a spectacular overhead kick from a Roger Walker cross. The easiest chance of the half also fell to Caldwell, when Paul Howards long clearance put him in the clear, but his volley was brilliantly turned round the post by United keeper Joe Neenan.

Six minutes from half time United took the lead when Paul O'Berg, who looked offside, got clear of the Wanderers defence to send a low drive past John Platt.

Scunthorpoe had much the better of the second half and sealed the points with further goals from O'Berg after 73 minutes and Andy Stevenson six minutes from time, both being simple headers.

Team: Platt, Fitzpatrick, Whitlow, Booth, Howard, Winstanley, Walker, Darby, Saunders, Caldwell, Allen. Sub Lennox for Caldwell.

10th April 1985 Bolton Wanderers Res 5 Burnley Res 0

Burnley keeper Sean Gotto prevented Bolton opening their account until four minutes from half time with a string of spectacular saves. Paul Booth eventually broke the deadlock when he shot home from 12 yards after Gotto could only parry Mike Whitlow's free kick.

Two minutes into the second half Roger Walker was found unmarked in the penalty area by Mike Winstanley and he registered Boltons 50th central league goal of the season. Two minutes later, Burnley's experienced centre half Joe Gallagher put through his own goal from a Steve Saunders cross, and on the hour, Paul Allen grabbed the fourth with a stern challenge on Darren Heesom.

Roger Walker completed the rout in the 80th minute when he latched onto a poor pass from Burnley full back Gordon Connolly, to casually round the keeper, and stroke the ball home.

Team: Platt, Darby, Winstanley, Booth, Valentine, Fitzpatrick, Walker, Allen, Saunders, Caldwell, Whitlow. Sub Whittle for Darby.



PAUL ALLEN

THE BEST IS YET TO COME FROM JESPER



THERE are few more discerning connoisseur's of the game of football than the folk who throng Old Trafford.

Brought up on a tradition of great names such as; Billy Meredith, Johnny Carey, Duncan Edwards, Dennis Viollet, Bobby Charlton, Dennis Law and George Best, they are accustomed to having more than a little relish served up with their soccer menu. So it is understandable why the Manchester United faithful are now acclaiming Jesper Olsen as the new king of Old Trafford.

The slim, almost rakish figure of a Dane, looks like the wind will blow him over. Yet, put him in a red United shirt and let him loose across the green of Old Trafford and he will weave a magic pattern with his thrilling runs, teasing defenders, turning them this way and that, yet always remaining poised and in full control.

"That crowd is something

special," the youngster who cost Ron Atkinson £350,000 to prize away from Ajax last summer beams. "I am really enjoying life at Manchester United. It is a lot different from what I am accustomed to but the atmosphere over here is really stimulating."

It was Jesper who was one of the scourges of England in the last European Championship qualifying rounds. He scored the last minute equaliser when the sides drew 2-2 in Copenhagen in the opening match of the series and played a major role in Denmark's remarkable success in the tournament.

Since coming to England he admits the physical side of the game has proved harder than he anticipated. "It is quite hard," he surmises, not just out there on the day but in respect of the overall physical commitment in the number of games we play. There is no mid-season break as I am used to and we seem to be playing two matches every week, there is just no let up.

"Still it has its compensations. The training becomes less hard," he smiles.

"Actually the pre-season training was not as hard as I expected," he adds. "I have suffered much worse."

Jesper has undoubtedly brought quality and entertainment into the English game. His ability to dribble with the ball reminds us of the lost art our game so desperately needs, but has League football done anything for his game?

"It's difficult to say," replies the Dane thoughtfully. "Next season will be the test."

"I have had to change my own game to fit in with what is expected in England. On the continent I have never

been asked to track back as much as is expected here but I have to learn these things and I suppose it will help me to become a better player.

"At United I am playing a wide role and although I prefer to be a little more in the middle I am enjoying it. But it is very difficult to play on the wing, particularly away from home, they don't give you any space.

"If there was one point about English league football that stands out above the rest I suppose it has to be that there is much less time on the ball. They play it very fast here and don't let you settle on the ball at all.

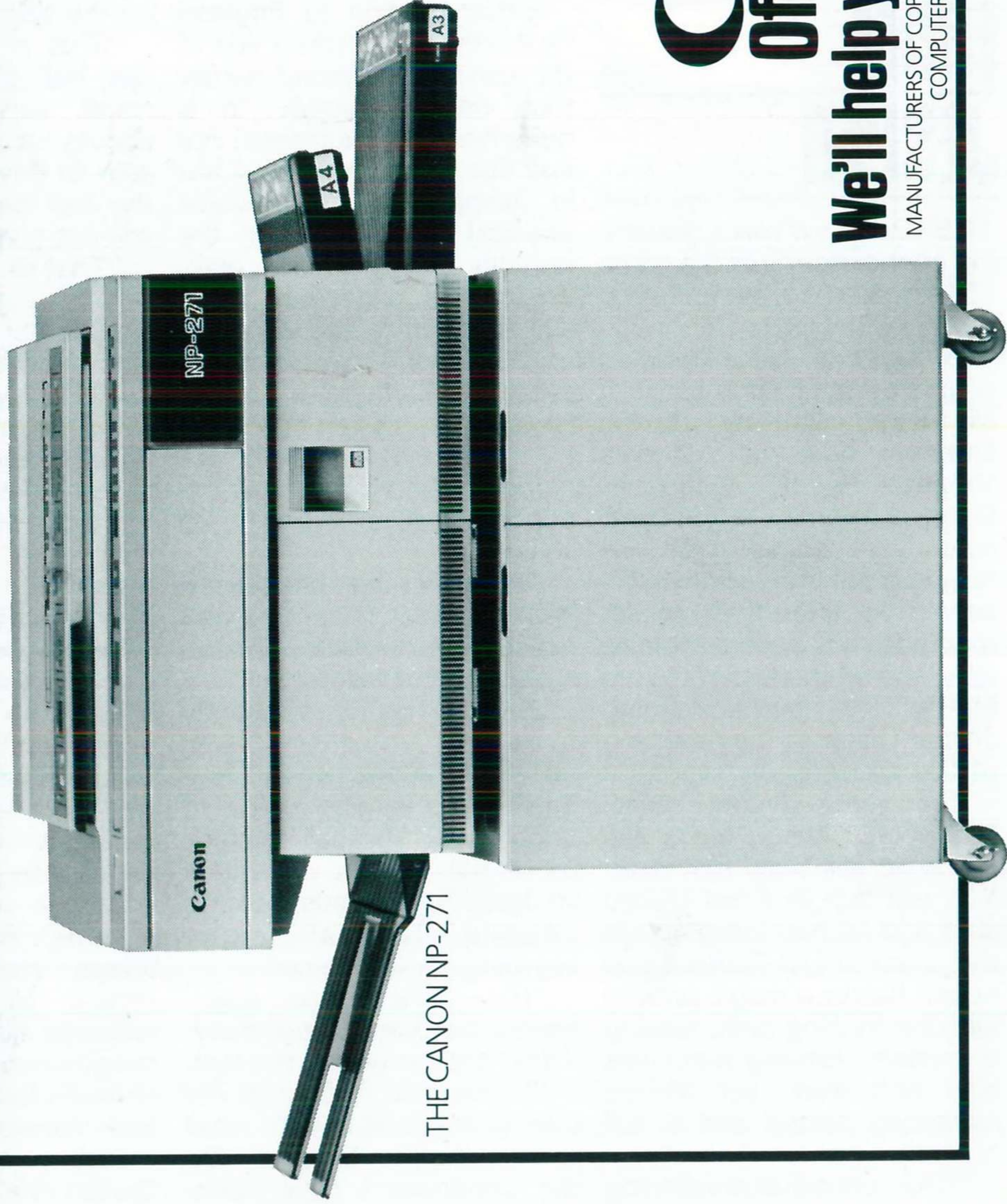
"That is why there are so few ball players. There are some very skilful players about but they are just not able to develop their skill on the ball because opponents will not give them the time.

"That is not a criticism just an observation why probably continental players always look happier on the ball than English players do."

For all that Jesper says: "I like the way we are playing at United. We are a good team. From my own point of view I feel I can play a lot better though. I have had some injuries this season which have affected me but even so I don't think you will see the best of me until next season anyway. It takes some getting used to the English style of play and next season I shall be able to call on the experience gained now."

Jesper will no doubt be grateful for the summer recess. He will be able to return to Denmark and recharge his batteries. In the meantime Manchester United's faithful followers can look forward to even more mouth watering morsels of Danish delight next season.

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"FOOTBALL IS FUN". That's the message England manager Bobby Robson is anxious to get over to the youth of today, as the Football Association break into the ever expanding business of Activity Holidays.

This is one with a difference however. In this case the objective is not commercial but an honest and genuine attempt to bring the game to the youngsters and help them get the most out of it in terms of enjoyment.

Explains Mr Robson: "This is different. It's a fun week primarily, to get boys and girls to play football because we think it's a terrific game."

There is no connection between this and Bobby Robson's other promotions, the GM Soccer School, and the Centres of Excellence which are now dotted around the country, although they are all related by Mr Robson's desire to raise the playing standards of the game in this country.

"We must ask ourselves. Can we give kids a better base, a better foundation," he says.

Backed by sponsors General Motors, the Football Association are to organise between 70 and 100 five-day non-residential courses, which will be spread throughout the country and will be open for boys and girls between 8 and 13,

regardless of ability.

The coaching at these FUNWEEKS will concentrate on improving individual technique with particular emphasis placed on dribbling — the lost art of English football — and all the basic skills; receiving the ball, turning with the ball, shooting, passing and control.

The idea is to get across to everybody so you don't have to be a good player to join in. Everyone will be graded in order that they participate in a group of their own standard and thus will be able to enjoy themselves and learn at their own pace.

The FA launched a pilot scheme last season, with 18 courses proving successful. "We had teething problems as you would expect," says Bobby Robson "and it was clear that we needed to introduce a football personality into each course."

To do this Mr Robson has turned to his own national team. "I've explained the concept to the England team and said, 'come on let's do something for the kids, put back something into the game for nothing.' And they have all given me their commitment that they will endeavour to attend these courses, their own club commitments allowing."

The connection between the England players and the Soccer Funweeks,

provides a nice touch, and one which will set many a little heart fluttering with excitement.

The FA anticipate this scheme will cover some 7,000 children and unlike the more commercial schemes available will not cost the earth.

At a maximum cost of £5 per day (£25 for the five day course) the youngsters will receive the best instruction available from fully qualified and experienced FA coaches, which is something that is not always provided on some of the more expensive holidays offered on the market.

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If you would like further details of FUNWEEKS in your area, then you can speak to BOBBY ROBSON now on Potters Bar (77 in London, 0707 outside) 50057, on a 24-hour answering service. Or write to: The Football Association, 22-24a The Broadway, Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, Herts. EN6 2HH.

The courses will take place during the school holidays in July and August.

By Colin Benson

TOMMY DOCHERTY

THE ETERNAL OPTIMIST



They don't come much larger than life than Tommy Docherty whose colourful and controversial career in soccer has now embraced 17 clubs in all.

His is one of the most remarkable careers in the history of the game. From being a hard uncompromising wing half in his playing days with Celtic, Preston, Arsenal and Chelsea he emerged as a top line team boss controlling some of the greatest players in the land and reaching the pinnacle of his career as manager of Scotland.

Born in Glasgow, he was brought up the hard way but found a notch for himself as a footballer, joining Celtic in 1947 and later moving to Preston, with Arsenal and Chelsea where he hung up his boots in 1961.

Capped by Scotland 25 times he captained his country but even in those days life did not always follow a smooth pattern for the Doc.

There was an occasion when he was playing for Scotland at Wembley and went outside the stadium to meet somebody then found he could not get back in because he had not got a pass.

Tom ventured into football management at Stamford Bridge in 1961 where he built an outstanding team. A man of forceful and original ideas he hit the headlines with some incredible training routines.

Doc left Chelsea in October 1967, after taking them back to

Division One, winning the League Cup and reaching an FA Cup final, and took over Rotherham United, where his ebullient style earned the club more publicity than they had experienced in all of their previous 84-year history.

The Doc was only at Millmoor a year but he left a lasting impression which they still talk about today with a degree of nostalgia. He introduced a system of large bonuses for success, so large they were said to frighten the directors to death but on the credit side he signed centre half Dave Watson for nothing and Rotherham sold him for £100,000.

Docherty walked out on Rotherham in November 1968 to take over Queens Park Rangers. 28 days later he resigned and rang Rotherham to ask if the job was still open.

Jobs with Aston Villa, Portuguese club Porto and Hull City followed before he took charge of an ailing Scottish national side, becoming their first full time boss in September 1971.

Tom proved a great success and was a most popular national team manager but 16 months later, when the opportunity to move into Old Trafford presented itself, he had no compunction in resigning his post with the Scottish FA.

Old Trafford was to provide Tommy Docherty with both extremes. Relegation to the Second Division followed by the Second Division championship and then two FA Cup Final appearances, one of which was won. But his five year reign with Manchester United was forever punctuated by controversy and in July 1977 he was sacked after a love affair with Mary Brown.

But the Doc is used to knocks and he climbed back with Derby County, although even his appointment there in September 1977 was shrouded in mystery,

Norwegian club Lillestrom registering strong protests, after claiming the little Scot had signed a two-year contract with them.

However his career at the Baseball Ground was also to prove short lived following more controversy and outside influences and he drifted back to Loftus Road only to run foul of a personality clash with Q.P.R. chairman Ernie Gregory.

Tom was on his bike again, this time to Australia and a spell with Sydney Olympic before returning to his old stamping ground at Deepdale, to take charge of struggling Preston North End in September 1981.

Always a realist he cracked at the time: "They are looking for a little bit of magic to haul them out of the Third Division and I only hope I can produce the goods... If I don't I will probably be on my way to my 17th club! That's the way soccer goes."

Of course it was true and Preston inevitably sacked the wise-cracking Glaswegian. He was forced to work in Australia — with Sydney Olympic again — then for BBC Radio for the following two years or so before being called to give Wolves a kiss of life last June.

The 56-year-old Doc was once more the man they turned to in a time of crisis. Villa, Derby, Manchester United and Wolves were all in turmoil when he arrived.

Whether he can prescribe the right remedy at Molineux only time will tell. "Age is no problem", he insists, "after all I'm seven years younger than Liverpool's Joe Fagan... 56 going on 18!"

His appetite for football remains insatiable and success or not we can all be sure that Tommy Docherty will help to bring a smile to the face of this serious business of football whether he is still in a job or not!

Star Profile

A look back at some of the Wanderers past players



DENNIS Butler made his League debut for Wanderers at Aston Villa in the First Division in December 1962, spending six seasons at Burnden Park before joining Rochdale. In more than 200 League games he scored 50 goals, like his famous uncle achieving a high scoring rate for a winger.



Billy Butler

THE BUTLER family spanned more than 40 years in its association with Bolton Wanderers Football Club.

BILLY BUTLER, winner of three FA Cup winners medals in the glorious twenties, was one of the greatest of all Wanderers wingers — an England international who won fame during an 18 season stint at Burnden Park.

As a youngster in the family's home town of Atherton, DENNIS BUTLER dreamed of following in his famous uncle's footsteps. And he was to realise his ambition, playing for Wanderers on the wing — just like Billy.

Today in our YESTERDAY'S HEROES feature we look at the two men who linked the Twenties with the Sixties.

BILLY BUTLER was one of a family of footballers, two of whom — Tommy and Herbert — played professionally. Billy was the most famous and although he was an inside-forward or centre-forward in his younger days, it was at outside right where he was to make his mark in League football and in the No. 7 shirt when he was capped by England against Scotland in 1924.

As partner to David Jack in that game and throughout their years together at Burnden Park, Billy did a thorough job. He was always a lively player with a good scoring record from the wing.

After trying his hand at management, including a spell at Reading where he succeeded his old Bolton team mate Joe Smith, who had moved to Blackpool, he went to coach in South Africa — on the recommendation of Sir Stanley Rous.

An interesting point about the impact that Bolton FA Cup winning side of 1923 had on the game is that Butler was one of nine who stayed in the game as either coaches, trainers or managers.

Always a "Wanderer" wherever his travels took him, Billy Butler had mixed feelings after the club's 1953 Cup Final defeat by Blackpool.

For it was winger Bill Perry, a South African player he recommended Joe Smith to sign, who scored Blackpool's winning goal.

"I don't know whether I was glad for Billy or mad at the result," Billy later recalled.

He often spoke of returning to England but Billy Butler died in Durban, South Africa in July 1966 at the age of 66.

DENNIS BUTLER never reached the heights of his illustrious uncle but played in the Bolton senior side for six seasons before moving to Rochdale. He coached at Bury and Port Vale where he had a spell as manager.

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Warren Joyce turns after slotting in his second goal in the Freight Rover tie against Crewe.

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Date	Opponents	F.A.	Att.
1984 Aug.	Bristol Rovers	0-1	4,469
28	Oldham Athletic (MC1 1L)	2-1	3,286
Sept.	Derby County	2-3	11,478
4	Oldham Athletic (MC1 2L)	4-4	4,010
8	Hull City	0-0	5,403
15	Rotherham United	1-3	3,926
18	Swansea City	1-2	3,636
22	Plymouth Argyle	7-2	3,876
25	Shrewsbury Town (MC2 1L)	2-2	3,720
29	Doncaster Rovers	0-2	4,850
Oct.	Walsall	3-1	4,445
6	Reading	1-3	3,253
9	Shrewsbury Town (MC2 2L)	2-1	5,445
13	A.F.C. Bournemouth	2-1	4,651
20	Preston North End	4-0	5,691
23	Bristol City	2-3	7,715
27	Burnley	2-3	6,460
30	Notts County (MC3)	1-6	4,547
Nov.	Lincoln City	1-0	4,019
6	York City	2-1	4,672
10	Newport County	2-3	2,073
17	Hull City (FAC1)	1-2	6,424
24	Gillingham	1-2	4,381
Dec.	Brentford	1-2	3,668
15	Millwall	2-0	4,544
22	Cambridge United	0-0	4,310
26	Wigan Athletic	0-1	8,871
29	Bradford City	1-2	6,255
1985 Jan.	Orient	0-0	4,710
12	Derby County	3-0	6,491
26	Crewe Alexandra (FRT1 1L)	3-2	2,345
26	Rotherham United	2-0	5,059
29	Bristol Rovers	2-1	3,982
Feb.	Doncaster Rovers	3-1	5,810
5	Crewe Alexandra (FRT1 2L)	0-0	3,303
9	Plymouth Argyle	0-2	4,978
16	Swansea City	0-0	5,448
23	Lincoln City	0-2	2,448
Mar.	Burnley	1-3	6,468
5	Bristol City	1-4	3,774
9	Preston North End	0-1	5,478
12	Rochdale (FRT 2)	1-0	2,650
16	A.F.C. Bournemouth	0-4	2,715
19	Walsall	0-1	4,941
23	Reading	1-2	3,627
29	York City	3-0	4,363
Apr.	Hull City	2-2	7,863
2	Wigan Athletic	1-0	6,067
9	Orient	3-4	2,917
13	Newport County	3-1	4,011
16	Darlington (FRT3)		
20	Gillingham		
27	Brentford		
May	Bradford City		
6	Cambridge United		
11	Cambridge United		

Home matches and goalscorers in **bold** type. † Player substituted. ● Substitute used. ★ Own goal. FRT (Freight Rover Trophy).

FACTS

CANON LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

Up to and including Sunday 14th April 1985

	HOME			AWAY			GOALS			GOALS			Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	L	F	A	L	F	A	
Bradford City	39	14	5	1	39	16	5	25	18	5	25	18	81
Hull City	40	15	4	2	43	17	5	25	26	5	25	26	75
Millwall	38	13	5	0	32	8	8	25	27	8	25	27	70
Gillingham	38	12	5	2	42	22	9	21	30	9	21	30	67
Bristol City	38	14	2	3	36	15	4	9	24	9	24	25	66
Bristol Rovers	38	13	4	1	29	9	6	9	30	6	26	30	66
Rotherham United	40	11	6	4	36	22	6	8	17	5	17	23	62
Walsall	38	9	7	3	31	14	3	8	23	3	23	29	61
AFC Bournemouth	40	14	3	3	34	13	6	11	15	11	15	28	60
York City	40	11	5	4	37	20	3	12	23	12	23	33	56
Derby County	39	12	6	2	34	18	5	11	19	11	19	29	56
Reading	36	8	4	6	28	23	4	6	25	6	25	24	56
Doncaster Rovers	39	10	4	7	38	30	3	10	23	10	23	29	52
Newport County	38	9	5	5	28	24	7	8	22	8	22	28	51
Plymouth Argyle	39	9	7	4	29	21	5	11	24	5	11	24	48
Bolton Wanderers	41	12	4	5	37	19	1	17	23	1	23	44	47
Brentford	38	10	3	5	33	24	2	7	11	17	18	36	46
Lincoln City	38	8	9	3	31	17	6	10	13	10	13	24	45
Wigan Athletic	37	8	4	5	22	16	8	10	17	8	17	32	42
Preston North End	39	9	4	7	30	32	3	1	15	15	16	52	41
Burnley	39	6	7	7	29	21	5	11	24	5	11	24	40
Orient	39	7	4	7	28	32	3	13	19	13	19	39	39
Swansea City	39	5	4	10	25	35	4	11	19	11	19	37	36
Cambridge United	38	2	2	14	14	36	1	6	18	13	18	44	17

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Date	Opponents	Goals F A
1984		
Aug.	Rotherham United	4-0
Sept.	Leeds United	1-1
	Doncaster Rovers	2-3
	Oldham Athletic	0-2
	Hull City	2-1
Oct.	Middlesbrough	1-3
	Port Vale	0-2
	Grimsby Town	4-3
	Leicester City	0-2
	Preston North End	2-2
Nov.	Blackpool	4-0
	Wigan Athletic	1-4
	Scunthorpe United	0-1
	Burnley	2-0
Dec	York City	0-5
	Wolverhampton Wanderers	6-2
	Sunderland	0-1
1985		
Jan	Doncaster Rovers	P
	Oldham Athletic	2-2
Feb.	Middlesbrough	3-1
	Wigan Athletic	0-3
	Blackpool	5-4
Mar.	Preston North End	0-2
	Rotherham United	3-1
	Leicester City	1-2
	Leeds United	2-1
Apr.	Port Vale	1-0
	Grimsby Town	2-4
	Scunthorpe United	0-3
	Burnley	5-0
May	York City	
	Sunderland	
	Wolverhampton Wanderers	
	Hull City	

CENTRAL LEAGUE (Up to and including Saturday 6th April)													Goals			
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts									
Leicester City	29	24	4	1	66	16	76									
Hull City	28	16	7	5	58	24	55									
Leeds United	27	15	3	9	59	32	48									
Doncaster Rovers	27	14	6	7	38	32	48									
Oldham Athletic	27	12	10	5	59	52	46									
Wigan Athletic	24	13	3	8	40	35	42									
Sunderland	26	12	3	11	50	39	39									
Grimsby Town	27	10	6	11	41	47	36									
Bolton Wanderers	28	11	3	14	48	55	36									
Middlesbrough	24	11	2	11	46	42	35									
York City	27	9	6	12	44	46	33									
Wolverhampton W.	29	10	3	16	48	66	33									
Scunthorpe United	27	9	5	13	46	50	32									
Port Vale	27	10	2	15	38	45	32									
Blackpool	27	9	5	13	54	77	32									
Preston North End	26	9	4	13	39	45	31									
Burnley	26	5	2	19	33	60	17									
Rotherham United	28	3	6	19	29	73	15									

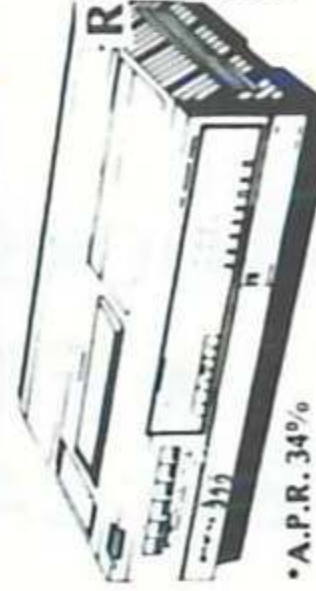


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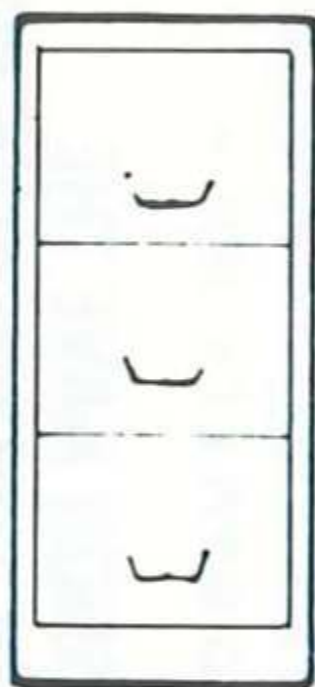
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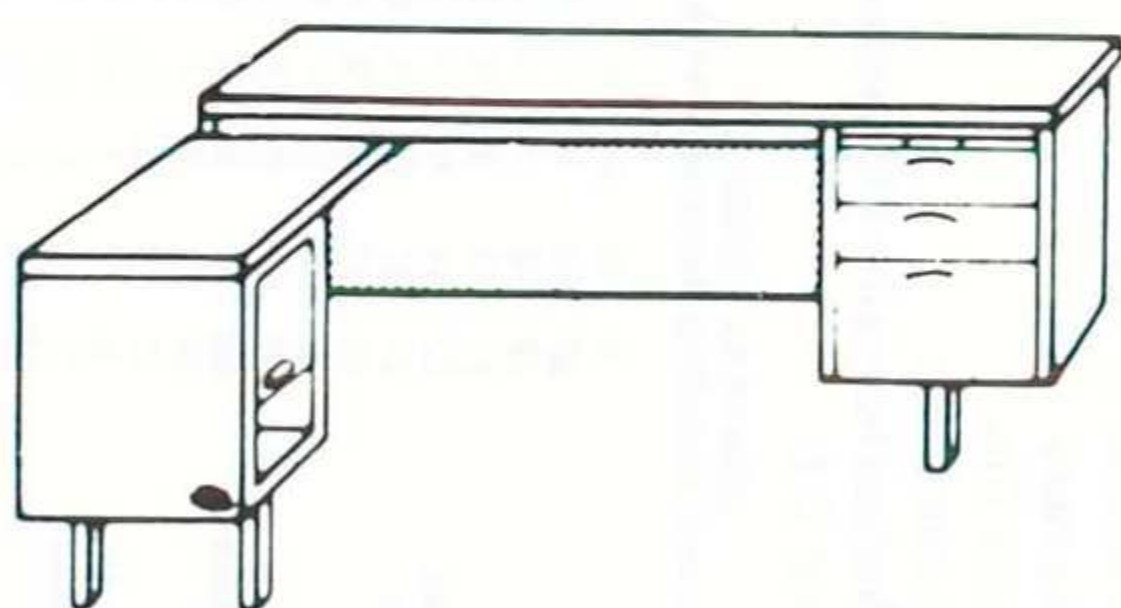
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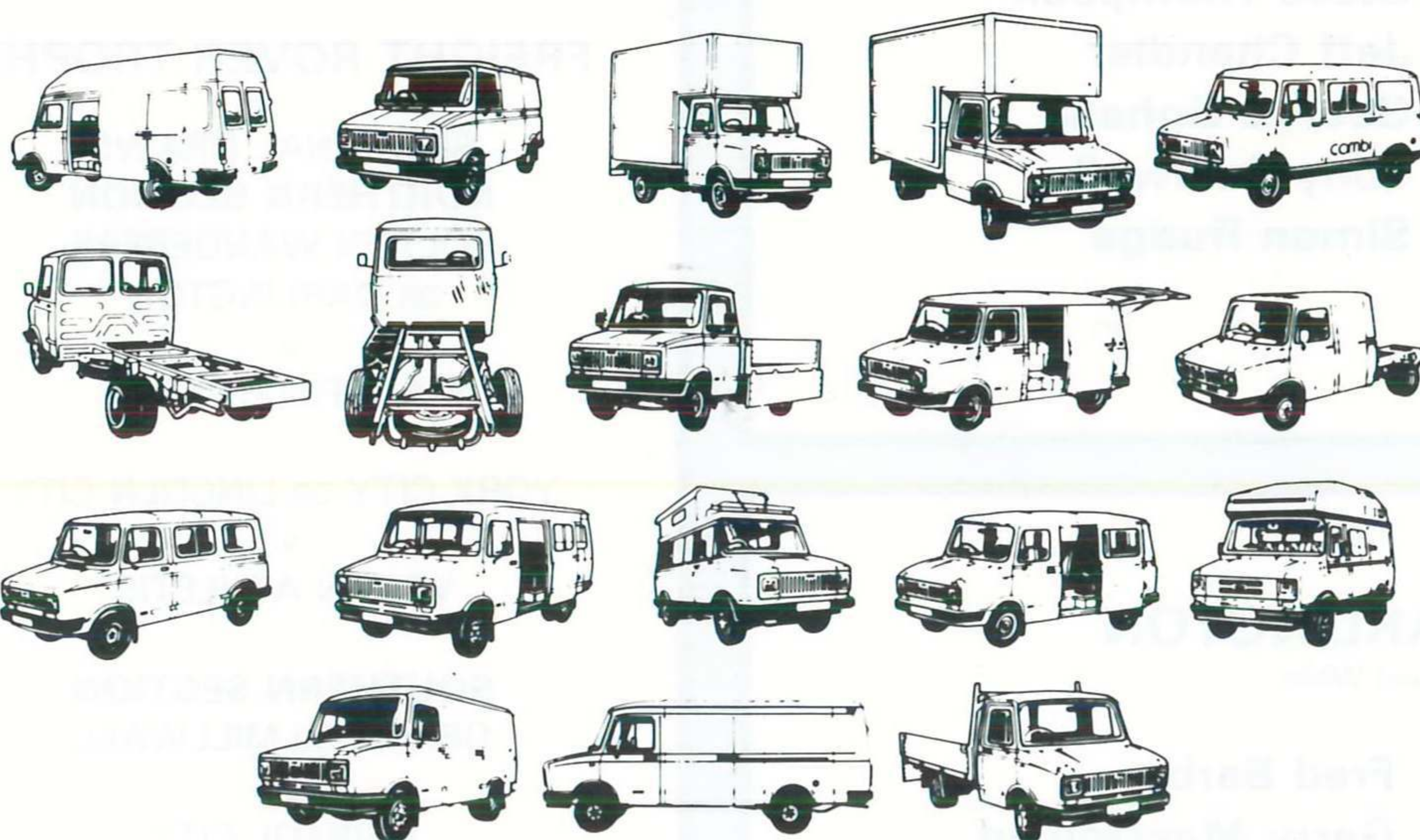
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